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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Harris offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 179-1125 and insert:

Section 1. Effective July 1, 2026, subsection (7) of section 97.022, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

97.022 Office of Election Crimes and Security; creation; purpose and duties.—

(7) By January 15 of each year, the department shall submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives detailing information on investigations of alleged election law violations or election irregularities conducted during the prior calendar

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14 year. The report must include the total number of complaints
15 received and independent investigations initiated and the number
16 of complaints referred to another agency for further
17 investigation or prosecution, including the total number of
18 those matters sent to a special officer pursuant to s. 102.091.

19 The report must include any alleged violations of s.
20 106.08(12)(b), irregularities involving foreign national
21 influence, and the department's recommendations to the
22 Legislature to mitigate foreign national influence in elections.

23 For each alleged violation or irregularity investigated, the
24 report must include:

25 (a) The source of the alleged violation or irregularity;

26 (b) The law allegedly violated or the nature of the
27 irregularity reported;

28 (c) The county in which the alleged violation or
29 irregularity occurred;

30 (d) Whether the alleged violation or irregularity was
31 referred to another agency for further investigation or
32 prosecution and, if so, to which agency; and

33 (e) The current status of the investigation or resulting
34 criminal case.

35 **Section 2. Section 97.051, Florida Statutes, is amended to**
36 **read:**

37 97.051 Oath upon registering.—A person registering to vote
38 must subscribe to the following oath: "I do solemnly swear (or

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39 affirm) that I am a United States citizen and will protect and
40 defend the Constitution of the United States and the
41 Constitution of the State of Florida, that I am qualified to
42 register as an elector under the Constitution and laws of the
43 State of Florida, and that all information provided in this
44 application is true. I have carefully reviewed the instructions
45 for completing the Florida Voter Registration Application. I
46 understand that if I have provided false information on this
47 application, I could be subject to criminal penalties for
48 perjury, fines, or imprisonment, and deportation from the United
49 States if I am not a United States citizen."

50 **Section 3. Paragraph (v) is added to subsection (2) of**
51 **section 97.052, Florida Statutes, to read:**

52 97.052 Uniform statewide voter registration application.—

53 (2) The uniform statewide voter registration application
54 must be designed to elicit the following information from the
55 applicant:

56 (v) Documentation required by the United States Election
57 Assistance Commission or federal law.

58 **Section 4. Subsection (4) of section 97.0525, Florida**
59 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

60 97.0525 Online voter registration.—

61 (4) (a) The online voter registration system shall compare
62 the Florida driver license number or Florida identification
63 number submitted pursuant to s. 97.052(2) (n) with information

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64 maintained by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
65 Vehicles to confirm that the name and date of birth on the
66 application are consistent with the records of the Department of
67 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the applicant's legal
68 status as a United States citizen can be verified by the records
69 of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

70 (b) If the applicant's name and date of birth are
71 consistent with the records of the Department of Highway Safety
72 and Motor Vehicles, and the applicant's legal status as a United
73 States citizen can be verified by the records of the Department
74 of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the online voter
75 registration system shall transmit, using the statewide voter
76 registration system maintained pursuant to s. 98.035, the
77 applicant's registration application, along with the digital
78 signature of the applicant on file with the Department of
79 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, to the supervisor of
80 elections. The applicant's digital signature satisfies the
81 signature requirement of s. 97.052(2)(q).

82 (c) If the applicant's name and date of birth cannot be
83 verified by the records of the Department of Highway Safety and
84 Motor Vehicles, ~~or if the applicant indicated that he or she has~~
85 ~~not been issued a Florida driver license or Florida~~
86 ~~identification card,~~ the online voter registration system shall
87 populate the applicant's information except for the applicant's
88 personal identifying number into a printable voter registration

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89 application pursuant to s. 97.052(2) which and direct the
90 applicant may to print, complete any required field, sign, and
91 date the application and deliver the application to the
92 supervisor of elections for disposition pursuant to s. 97.073.

93 (d)1. If the applicant's legal status as a United States
94 citizen cannot be verified by the records of the Department of
95 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the applicant will be
96 registered as an unverified voter provided all other
97 requirements have been met. The unverified voter will not be
98 allowed to vote until he or she has provided sufficient evidence
99 of citizenship to the supervisor of elections. The online voter
100 registration system must transmit, using the statewide voter
101 registration system maintained under s. 98.035, the applicant's
102 registration application, along with the digital signature of
103 the applicant on file with the Department of Highway Safety and
104 Motor Vehicles, to the supervisor of elections. The applicant's
105 digital signature satisfies the signature requirement of s.
106 97.052(2)(q). The system must generate a notice to the
107 supervisor of elections and to the applicant which states that
108 the applicant's legal status as a United States citizen cannot
109 be verified by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
110 Vehicles and that the applicant must provide to the supervisor
111 of elections sufficient evidence of his or her United States
112 citizenship and the supervisor of elections must verify the
113 applicant's legal status as a United States citizen before the

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114 applicant may vote. Such notice must include a list of documents
115 acceptable as evidence United States citizenship as set forth in
116 s. 98.075(6)(c).

117 2. The supervisor of elections shall verify the legal
118 status of an applicant identified by the Department of Highway
119 Safety and Motor Vehicle as a person who is potentially not a
120 United States citizen. If the supervisor determines based on
121 credible and reliable information that the applicant is
122 potentially ineligible to vote because he or she is not a United
123 States citizen, the supervisor must provide notice to the
124 applicant in accordance with s. 98.075(8). Such notice must
125 include the list of documents acceptable as evidence of United
126 States citizenship as set forth in s. 98.075(6)(c).

127 (e) If the applicant indicates that he or she has not been
128 issued a Florida driver license or Florida identification card,
129 or chooses to use the system to prepopulate an application to
130 print, sign, and deliver, the online voter registration system
131 must populate the applicant's information into a uniform
132 statewide voter registration application under s. 97.052(2) and
133 direct the applicant to print, sign, and date the application
134 and deliver the application to the supervisor of elections for
135 disposition under s. 97.073.

136 **Section 5. Subsections (2) and (6) of section 97.053,**
137 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

138 97.053 Acceptance of voter registration applications.—

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139 (2) A voter registration application is complete and
140 becomes the official voter registration record of that applicant
141 when all information necessary to establish the applicant's
142 eligibility under ~~pursuant to~~ s. 97.041 is received by a voter
143 registration official and verified under ~~pursuant to~~ subsection
144 (6). Except as provided in subsection (6), if the applicant
145 fails to complete his or her voter registration application on
146 or before ~~prior to~~ the date of book closing for an election,
147 ~~then~~ such applicant is ~~shall~~ not be eligible to vote in that
148 election.

149 (6) (a) A voter registration application, including an
150 application with a change in name, address, or party
151 affiliation, may be accepted as valid only after the department
152 has verified the authenticity or nonexistence of the Florida
153 driver license number, the Florida identification card number,
154 or the last four digits of the social security number provided
155 by the applicant and the applicant's legal status as a United
156 States citizen has been verified or recorded as verified in the
157 statewide voter registration system. If a completed voter
158 registration application has been received by the book-closing
159 deadline but the Florida driver license number, the Florida
160 identification card number, or the last four digits of the
161 social security number provided by the applicant or the
162 applicant's legal status as a United States citizen, whichever
163 is applicable, cannot be verified, the applicant must ~~shall~~ be

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164 notified that ~~the number cannot be verified and that the~~
165 applicant must provide ~~evidence~~ to the supervisor evidence
166 sufficient to verify the authenticity of the ~~applicant's driver~~
167 ~~license number, Florida identification card number, or last four~~
168 ~~digits of the social security number~~ or provide one of the
169 documents acceptable as evidence of United States citizenship
170 set forth s. 98.075(6)(c), whichever is applicable. An applicant
171 whose application does not meet the requirements of this
172 subsection is deemed an unverified voter until the requirements
173 have been met.

174 (b) If the applicant provides the necessary evidence, the
175 supervisor shall place the applicant's name on the registration
176 rolls as an active voter.

177 (c) If the application is to update to the voter's record
178 with a change in name, address, or party affiliation, whichever
179 is applicable, the change is retroactive to the date the
180 application was initially received and the necessary
181 documentation is verified.

182 (d) If the applicant has not provided the ~~necessary~~
183 evidence to validate the applicant's number or citizenship as
184 required under paragraph (a) before ~~or the number has not~~
185 ~~otherwise been verified prior to the applicant~~ appears
186 ~~presenting himself or herself to vote, the applicant~~ must ~~shall~~
187 be provided a provisional ballot. The provisional ballot must
188 ~~shall~~ be counted pursuant to s. 101.048, only if the requisite

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189 verification occurs ~~number is verified~~ by the end of the
190 canvassing period or if the applicant presents ~~evidence~~ to the
191 supervisor of elections evidence sufficient to verify the
192 authenticity of the applicant's Florida driver license number,
193 Florida identification card number, ~~or~~ last four digits of the
194 social security number, or provides one of the documents
195 acceptable as evidence of United States citizenship set forth s.
196 98.075(6)(c), whichever is applicable, no later than 5 p.m. of
197 the second day following the election.

198 **Section 6. Subsections (11) and (13) of section 97.057,**
199 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

200 97.057 Voter registration by the Department of Highway
201 Safety and Motor Vehicles.—

202 (11) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
203 shall enter into an agreement with the department to match
204 information in the statewide voter registration system with
205 information in the database of the Department of Highway Safety
206 and Motor Vehicles to the extent required to verify the accuracy
207 of a person's Florida ~~the~~ driver license number, Florida
208 identification number, ~~or~~ last four digits of his or her ~~the~~
209 social security number, or legal status as a United States
210 citizen, as applicable, provided on applications for voter
211 registration as required in s. 97.053. The department shall also
212 include the documentary proof that the applicant provided in
213 support of his or her United States citizenship.

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214 (13) Notwithstanding a declination to register or to
215 update a voter registration pursuant to subparagraph (2)(b)2.,
216 the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall, in
217 accordance with s. 98.093(8), ~~must~~ assist the Department of
218 State in ~~regularly~~ identifying changes in residence address or
219 number on the Florida driver license or Florida identification
220 card of persons who may be voters ~~of a voter. The Department of~~
221 ~~State must report each such change to the appropriate supervisor~~
222 ~~of elections who must change the voter's registration records in~~
223 ~~accordance with s. 98.065(4).~~

224 **Section 7. Subsection (4) of section 98.015, Florida**
225 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

226 98.015 Supervisor of elections; election, tenure of
227 office, compensation, custody of registration-related documents,
228 office hours, successor, seal; appointment of deputy
229 supervisors; duties.—

230 (4) (a) At a minimum, the office of the supervisor must be
231 open Monday through Friday, ~~excluding legal holidays,~~ for a
232 period of not less than 8 hours per day, beginning no later than
233 9 a.m.

234 (b) The office of the supervisor may close to observe
235 legal holidays and other federal, state, or county-approved
236 holidays if the office is not otherwise required to be open to
237 fulfill official duties under the Florida Election Code.

238 **Section 8. Subsection (1) of section 98.045, Florida**

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239 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

240 98.045 Administration of voter registration.—

241 (1) ELIGIBILITY OF APPLICANT.—

242 (a) The supervisor shall ~~must~~ ensure that any eligible
243 applicant for voter registration is registered to vote and that
244 each application for voter registration is processed in
245 accordance with law. The supervisor shall determine whether a
246 voter registration applicant is ineligible to vote based on any
247 of the following:

248 1.(a) The failure to complete a voter registration
249 application as specified in s. 97.053.

250 2.(b) The applicant is deceased.

251 3.(c) The applicant has been convicted of a felony for
252 which his or her voting rights have not been restored.

253 4.(d) The applicant has been adjudicated mentally
254 incapacitated with respect to the right to vote and such right
255 has not been restored.

256 5.(e) The applicant does not meet the age requirement
257 pursuant to s. 97.041.

258 6.(f) The applicant is not a United States citizen.

259 7.(g) The applicant is a fictitious person.

260 8.(h) The applicant has provided an address of legal
261 residence that is not his or her legal residence.

262 9.(i) The applicant has provided a Florida driver license
263 number, Florida identification card number, or the last four

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264 digits of a social security number that is not verifiable by the
265 department.

266 (b) If the most updated voter registration records show
267 that a new applicant was previously registered but subsequently
268 removed from the statewide voter registration system under s.
269 98.075(8) for ineligibility by reason of a felony conviction
270 without voting rights restored, adjudication as mentally
271 incapacitated with respect to voting without voting rights
272 restored, death, or legal status as not a United States citizen,
273 the supervisor must, within 13 days after receiving a new
274 application, verify the current eligibility of the applicant to
275 register by reviewing any governmental entity document or source
276 to determine whether the applicant remains ineligible. If the
277 supervisor determines that the applicant is still ineligible to
278 vote, the supervisor must deny the application and notify the
279 applicant pursuant to s. 97.073.

280 **Section 9. Subsections (6), (7), and (8) of section**
281 **98.075, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (7),**
282 **(8), and (9), respectively, subsections (4) and (5), present**
283 **subsection (6), paragraph (a) of present subsection (7), and**
284 **paragraph (a) of present subsection (8) are amended, and a new**
285 **subsection (6) is added to that section, to read:**

286 98.075 Registration records maintenance activities;
287 ineligibility determinations.—

288 (4) ADJUDICATION OF MENTAL INCAPACITY.—The department

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289 shall identify those registered voters who have been adjudicated
290 mentally incapacitated with respect to voting and who have not
291 had their voting rights restored by comparing information
292 received from the clerk of the circuit court as provided in s.
293 98.093. The department shall review such information and make an
294 initial determination as to whether the information is credible
295 and reliable. If the department determines that the information
296 is credible and reliable, the department must notify the
297 supervisor and provide a copy of the supporting documentation
298 indicating the potential ineligibility of the voter to be
299 registered. Upon receipt of the notice that the department has
300 made a determination of initial credibility and reliability, the
301 supervisor shall adhere to the procedures set forth in
302 subsection (8) ~~(7)~~ before the removal of a registered voter from
303 the statewide voter registration system.

304 (5) FELONY CONVICTION.—

305 (a) The department shall identify those registered voters
306 who have been convicted of a felony and whose voting rights have
307 not been restored by comparing information received from, but
308 not limited to, a clerk of the circuit court, the Board of
309 Executive Clemency, the Department of Corrections, the
310 Department of Law Enforcement, or a United States Attorney's
311 Office, as provided in s. 98.093. The department shall review
312 such information and make an initial determination as to whether
313 the information is credible and reliable. If the department

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314 determines that the information is credible and reliable, the
315 department must notify the supervisor and provide a copy of the
316 supporting documentation indicating the potential ineligibility
317 of the voter to be registered. Upon receipt of the notice that
318 the department has made a determination of initial credibility
319 and reliability, the supervisor shall adhere to the procedures
320 set forth in subsection (8) ~~(7)~~ before the removal of a
321 registered voter's name from the statewide voter registration
322 system.

323 (b) The supervisors shall coordinate with their respective
324 clerks of the court to obtain information pursuant to s. 98.093
325 to identify registered voters within their respective
326 jurisdictions who have been convicted of a felony during the
327 preceding week and whose voting rights have not been restored.
328 The supervisor shall adhere to the procedures set forth in
329 subsection (8) ~~(7)~~ before the removal of a registered voter's
330 name from the statewide voter registration system. For purposes
331 of this paragraph, a supervisor's duties under subsection (8)
332 ~~(7)~~ begin upon his or her determination that the information
333 received from the clerk is credible and reliable.

334 (6) CITIZENSHIP.—

335 (a) The Department of State shall verify the citizenship
336 status of all registered voters whose legal status has not
337 already been verified as a United States citizen. If the
338 citizenship status of a registered voter cannot be verified or

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339 the voter record does not indicate that the registered voter's
340 citizenship is verified, the department must notify the
341 supervisor of elections who must notify the registered voter.

342 (b) The department shall review the information received
343 from the Department of Highway Safety under s. 98.093(8) and
344 make an initial determination as to whether the information and
345 any other information regarding citizenship is credible and
346 reliable. If the department determines that the information is
347 credible and reliable, the department must notify the supervisor
348 and provide a copy of the supporting documentation indicating
349 the potential ineligibility of the voter.

350 (c) Upon receipt of the notice under paragraph (a) or
351 paragraph (b), the supervisor of elections must notify the
352 registered voter in accordance with subsection (8) that his or
353 her United States citizenship could not be verified and require
354 the registered voter to submit evidence sufficient to verify his
355 or her citizenship status. The notice to the registered voter
356 must include the following list of documents that will be
357 accepted as evidence of United States citizenship:

358 1. A current and valid United States passport.
359 2. A United States birth certificate.
360 3. A Consular Report of Birth Abroad provided by the
361 United States Department of State.

362 4. A current and valid Florida driver license or Florida
363 identification card issued by the Department of Highway Safety

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364 and Motor Vehicles if such driver license or identification card
365 indicates United States citizenship.

366 5. A naturalization certificate, a certificate of
367 citizenship, a certificate number, or an alien registration
368 number issued by the United States Department of Homeland
369 Security.

370 6. A current and valid photo identification issued by the
371 Federal Government or the government of this state which
372 indicates United States citizenship.

373 7. An order from a federal court granting United States
374 citizenship.

375 (d) If the registered voter's legal name is different than
376 the name that appears on one of the documents specified in
377 paragraph (c), the applicant must also provide official
378 documentation providing proof of a legal name change.

379 (e) The type of document provided or used to verify
380 citizenship must be recorded in the statewide voter registration
381 system.

382 (7)-(6) OTHER BASES FOR INELIGIBILITY.—Subsections (2)-(6)
383 (2)-(5) do not limit or restrict the department or the
384 supervisor in his or her duty to act upon direct receipt of,
385 access to, or knowledge of information from any governmental
386 entity that identifies a registered voter as potentially
387 ineligible. If the department or supervisor receives information
388 from any governmental entity other than those identified in

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389 subsections (2)-(6) ~~(2)-(5)~~ that a registered voter is
390 ineligible because the voter is deceased, adjudicated a
391 convicted felon without having had his or her voting rights
392 restored, adjudicated mentally incapacitated without having had
393 his or her voting rights restored, does not meet the age
394 requirement pursuant to s. 97.041, is not a United States
395 citizen, is a fictitious person, or has listed an address that
396 is not his or her address of legal residence, the supervisor
397 must adhere to the procedures set forth in subsection (8) ~~(7)~~
398 before the removal of the name of a registered voter who is
399 determined to be ineligible from the statewide voter
400 registration system.

401 (8) ~~(7)~~ PROCEDURES FOR REMOVAL.—

402 (a) If the supervisor receives notice or information
403 pursuant to subsections (4)-(7) ~~(4)-(6)~~, the supervisor of the
404 county in which the voter is registered must:

405 1. Notify the registered voter of his or her potential
406 ineligibility by mail within 7 days after receipt of notice or
407 information. The notice must include:

408 a. A statement of the basis for the registered voter's
409 potential ineligibility and a copy of any documentation upon
410 which the potential ineligibility is based. Such documentation
411 must include any conviction from another jurisdiction determined
412 to be a similar offense to murder or a felony sexual offense, as
413 those terms are defined in s. 98.0751.

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414 b. A statement that failure to respond within 30 days
415 after receipt of the notice may result in a determination of
416 ineligibility and in removal of the registered voter's name from
417 the statewide voter registration system.

418 c. A return form that requires the registered voter to
419 admit or deny the accuracy of the information underlying the
420 potential ineligibility for purposes of a final determination by
421 the supervisor.

422 d. A statement that, if the voter is denying the accuracy
423 of the information underlying the potential ineligibility, the
424 voter has a right to request a hearing for the purpose of
425 determining eligibility.

426 e. Instructions for the registered voter to contact the
427 supervisor of elections of the county in which the voter is
428 registered if assistance is needed in resolving the matter.

429 f. Instructions for seeking restoration of civil rights
430 pursuant to s. 8, Art. IV of the State Constitution and
431 information explaining voting rights restoration pursuant to s.
432 4, Art. VI of the State Constitution following a felony
433 conviction, if applicable.

434 g. The following statement: "If you attempt to vote at an
435 early voting site or your normal election day polling place, you
436 will be required to vote a provisional ballot. If you vote by
437 mail, your ballot will be treated as a provisional ballot. In
438 either case, your ballot may not be counted until a final

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439 determination of eligibility is made. If you wish for your
440 ballot to be counted, you must contact the supervisor of
441 elections office within 2 days after the election and present
442 evidence that you are eligible to vote."

443 2. If the mailed notice is returned as undeliverable, the
444 supervisor must, within 14 days after receiving the returned
445 notice, either publish notice once in a newspaper of general
446 circulation in the county in which the voter was last registered
447 or publish notice on the county's website as provided in s.
448 50.0311 or on the supervisor's website, as deemed appropriate by
449 the supervisor. The notice must contain the following:

450 a. The voter's name and address.

451 b. A statement that the voter is potentially ineligible to
452 be registered to vote.

453 c. A statement that failure to respond within 30 days
454 after the notice is published may result in a determination of
455 ineligibility by the supervisor and removal of the registered
456 voter's name from the statewide voter registration system.

457 d. An instruction for the voter to contact the supervisor
458 no later than 30 days after the date of the published notice to
459 receive information regarding the basis for the potential
460 ineligibility and the procedure to resolve the matter.

461 e. An instruction to the voter that, if further assistance
462 is needed, the voter should contact the supervisor of elections
463 of the county in which the voter is registered.

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464 f. A statement that, if the voter denies the accuracy of
465 the information underlying the potential ineligibility, the
466 voter has a right to request a hearing for the purpose of
467 determining eligibility.

468 g. The following statement: "If you attempt to vote at an
469 early voting site or your normal election day polling place, you
470 will be required to vote a provisional ballot. If you vote by
471 mail, your ballot will be treated as a provisional ballot. In
472 either case, your ballot may not be counted until a final
473 determination of eligibility is made. If you wish for your
474 ballot to be counted, you must contact the supervisor of
475 elections office within 2 days after the election and present
476 evidence that you are eligible to vote."

477 3. If a registered voter fails to respond to a notice
478 pursuant to subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2., the supervisor
479 must make a final determination of the voter's eligibility
480 within 7 days after expiration of the voter's timeframe to
481 respond. If the supervisor determines that the voter is
482 ineligible, the supervisor must remove the name of the
483 registered voter from the statewide voter registration system
484 within 7 days. The supervisor shall notify the registered voter
485 of the supervisor's determination and action.

486 4. If a registered voter responds to the notice pursuant
487 to subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2. and admits the accuracy of
488 the information underlying the potential ineligibility, the

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489 supervisor must, as soon as practicable, make a final
490 determination of ineligibility and remove the voter's name from
491 the statewide voter registration system. The supervisor shall
492 notify the registered voter of the supervisor's determination
493 and action.

494 5. If a registered voter responds to the notice issued
495 pursuant to subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2. and denies the
496 accuracy of the information underlying the potential
497 ineligibility but does not request a hearing, the supervisor
498 must review the evidence and make a determination of eligibility
499 no later than 30 days after receiving the response from the
500 voter. If the supervisor determines that the registered voter is
501 ineligible, the supervisor must remove the voter's name from the
502 statewide voter registration system upon such determination and
503 notify the registered voter of the supervisor's determination
504 and action and that the removed voter has a right to appeal a
505 determination of ineligibility pursuant to s. 98.0755. If such
506 registered voter requests a hearing, the supervisor must send
507 notice to the registered voter to attend a hearing at a time and
508 place specified in the notice. The supervisor shall schedule and
509 issue notice for the hearing within 7 days after receiving the
510 voter's request for a hearing and shall hold the hearing no
511 later than 30 days after issuing the notice of the hearing. A
512 voter may request an extension upon showing good cause by
513 submitting an affidavit to the supervisor as to why he or she is

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514 unable to attend the scheduled hearing. Upon hearing all
515 evidence presented at the hearing, the supervisor shall make a
516 determination of eligibility within 7 days. If the supervisor
517 determines that the registered voter is ineligible, the
518 supervisor must remove the voter's name from the statewide voter
519 registration system and notify the registered voter of the
520 supervisor's determination and action and that the removed voter
521 has a right to appeal a determination of ineligibility pursuant
522 to s. 98.0755.

523 ~~(9)~~ ~~(8)~~ CERTIFICATION.—

524 (a) No later than July 31 and January 31 of each year, the
525 supervisor shall certify to the department that the supervisor
526 has conducted the activities required pursuant to this section
527 during the first 6 months and the second 6 months of the year,
528 respectively. The certification must include the number of
529 persons to whom notices were sent pursuant to subsection (8)
530 ~~(7)~~; the number of persons who responded to the notices; the
531 number of notices returned as undeliverable; the number of
532 notices published in the newspaper, on the county's website, or
533 on the supervisor's website; the number of hearings conducted;
534 and the number of persons removed from the statewide voter
535 registration system and the reasons for such removals.

536 **Section 10. Effective July 1, 2026, subsection (9) of**
537 **section 98.093, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraphs**
538 **(d), (e), and (f) are added to subsection (8) of that section,**

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539 **to read:**

540 98.093 Duty of officials to furnish information relating
541 to deceased persons, persons adjudicated mentally incapacitated,
542 persons convicted of a felony, and persons who are not United
543 States citizens.—

544 (8) DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES.—The
545 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall furnish
546 weekly to the department the following information:

547 (d) Information identifying those persons who during the
548 preceding week presented evidence of United States citizenship
549 upon being issued a new, renewed, or replacement Florida driver
550 license or Florida identification card. The information must
551 contain the person's name; address; date of birth; last four
552 digits of his or her social security number, if applicable;
553 Florida driver license number or Florida identification card
554 number, if available; the type of documentary proof the person
555 provided in support of his or her citizenship; and, if
556 applicable, the person's alien registration number or other
557 legal status identifier.

558 (e) Information identifying a change in residence address
559 on the Florida driver license or Florida identification card of
560 any person who declined to register or update his or her voter's
561 registration record under s. 97.057(2)(b)2. The information must
562 contain the person's name; date of birth; sex; last four digits
563 of his or her social security number, if available; and Florida

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564 driver license or Florida identification card number in order to
565 identify a voter's registration record. The Department of State
566 must report each such change to the appropriate supervisor of
567 elections who must change the voter's registration records in
568 accordance with s. 98.065(4).

569 (f) Information identifying new, renewed, or replacement
570 Florida driver license or Florida identification card numbers
571 issued to persons who declined to register or update his or her
572 voter's registration record under s. 97.057(2)(b)2. The
573 information must contain the person's name; date of birth; last
574 four digits of his or her social security number, if available;
575 and the person's prior and current Florida driver license or
576 Florida identification card number in order to identify a
577 voter's registration record. The Department of State must report
578 the prior and current Florida driver license or Florida
579 identification card numbers to the appropriate supervisor of
580 elections who must update the voter's registration records and
581 provide notice of the change to the registered voter in the same
582 manner as a change of address made in accordance with s.
583 98.065(4).

584 (9) CONSTRUCTION.—This section does not limit or restrict
585 the supervisor in his or her duty to act upon direct receipt of,
586 access to, or knowledge of official information from these and
587 other governmental entities that identify a registered voter as
588 potentially ineligible and to initiate removal of the name of

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589 the registered voter who is determined to be ineligible from the
590 statewide voter registration system pursuant to s. 98.075(8) ~~s.~~
591 ~~98.075(7)~~.

592 **Section 11. Section 98.094, Florida Statutes, is created**
593 **to read:**

594 98.094 Federal jury notice.-

595 (1) The Division of Elections shall provide a list,
596 monthly, of registered voters to federal courts for purposes of
597 selecting jurors and the jury coordinator must provide the
598 division notice regarding any ineligible or potentially
599 ineligible voters.

600 (2) The jury coordinator shall prepare or cause to be
601 prepared a list of each person disqualified or potentially
602 disqualified as a prospective juror from jury service because
603 the person is not a United States citizen, was convicted of a
604 felony, is deceased, is not a resident of this state, or is not
605 a resident of the county in which such jury service is required.
606 The list must be prepared and sent to the division according to
607 the jury summons cycle used by the clerk of court. This section
608 does not prevent the list from being sent more frequently. The
609 list prepared by the jury coordinator may be provided by mail,
610 e-mail, or other electronic means to the division.

611 (3) The jury coordinator shall provide the division with
612 all of the following information about each disqualified or
613 potentially disqualified juror:

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- 614 (a) The full name of the juror.
615 (b) Current and prior addresses, if any.
616 (c) Telephone number, if available.
617 (d) Date of birth.
618 (e) The reason the prospective juror is disqualified.
619 (4) The division shall provide the information received
620 under subsection (3) to the appropriate supervisor of elections
621 in the county of residence of the disqualified juror in order
622 for the supervisor to initiate address list maintenance under s.
623 98.065 or eligibility maintenance under s. 98.075(8), as
624 applicable.

625 **Section 12. Effective upon becoming a law, paragraphs (b)**
626 **and (c) of subsection (1) of section 99.021, Florida Statutes,**
627 **are amended, and paragraphs (f), (g), and (h) are added to that**
628 **subsection, to read:**

629 99.021 Form of candidate oath.—

630 (1)

631 (b) In addition, any person seeking to qualify for
632 nomination as a candidate of any political party shall, at the
633 time of subscribing to the oath or affirmation, state in
634 writing:

635 1. The party of which the person is a member.

636 2. That the person has been a registered member of the
637 political party for which he or she is seeking nomination as a
638 candidate for at least 365 consecutive days preceding ~~before~~ the

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639 beginning of qualifying before ~~preceding~~ the general election
640 for which the person seeks to qualify.

641 3. That the person has paid the assessment levied against
642 him or her, if any, as a candidate for said office by the
643 executive committee of the party of which he or she is a member.

644 (c) In addition, any person seeking to qualify for office
645 as a candidate with no party affiliation shall, at the time of
646 subscribing to the oath or affirmation, state in writing that he
647 or she is registered without any party affiliation and that he
648 or she has not been a registered member of any political party
649 for at least 365 consecutive days preceding ~~before~~ the beginning
650 of qualifying before ~~preceding~~ the general election for which
651 the person seeks to qualify.

652 (f) A qualified candidate or a political party with a
653 qualified candidate in the same race may challenge the accuracy
654 of the content of the statement in a candidate's oath or
655 affirmation appearing in subparagraph (a)1. that the person
656 seeking to qualify as a candidate for nomination or election is
657 qualified under the State Constitution to hold the office to
658 which he or she desires to be nominated or elected by filing an
659 action for declaratory and injunctive relief in the circuit
660 court for the county in which the qualifying officer is
661 headquartered. A person may not be qualified as a candidate for
662 nomination or election and his or her name may not appear on the
663 ballot if in an order that has become final, the court

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664 determines that the person seeking to qualify as a candidate for
665 nomination or election is not qualified under the State
666 Constitution to hold the office to which he or she desires to be
667 nominated or elected.

668 (g) The statements in subparagraph (b)2. and paragraph (c)
669 constitute substantive requirements for the person completing
670 the statement, and compliance with those requirements is
671 mandatory. The sole method to enforce compliance with such
672 requirements is contained in this paragraph. Compliance with
673 subparagraph (b)2. and paragraph (c) may be challenged by a
674 qualified candidate or a political party with a qualified
675 candidate in the same race by filing an action for declaratory
676 and injunctive relief in the circuit court for the county in
677 which the qualifying officer is headquartered. A person may not
678 be qualified as a candidate for nomination or election and his
679 or her name may not appear on the ballot if in an order that has
680 become final, the court determines that:

681 1. The person seeking to qualify for nomination as a
682 candidate of any political party has not been a registered
683 member of that party for the 365-day period preceding the
684 beginning of qualifying; or

685 2. The person seeking to qualify for office as a candidate
686 with no party affiliation has not been registered without party
687 affiliation for, or has been a registered member of any

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688 political party during, the 365-day period preceding the
689 beginning of qualifying.

690 (h) Any candidate or political party bringing an action
691 for declaratory and injunctive relief under paragraph (f) or
692 paragraph (g) is entitled to an expedited final hearing and any
693 appeal of a final hearing shall receive expedited consideration
694 by the appellate court. Upon a final order of the circuit court
695 containing a determination in paragraph (f) or paragraph (g),
696 the supervisor of elections in each county affected by such
697 candidacy shall remove the name of the candidate from the
698 ballot, or if the ballots have already been printed, post a
699 notice to be included with each vote-by-mail ballot, and at each
700 early voting location and polling precinct that a vote for such
701 candidate will not be counted.

702 **Section 13. Subsection (1) of section 101.043, Florida**
703 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

704 101.043 Identification required at polls.—

705 (1) (a) The precinct register, as prescribed in s. 98.461,
706 must ~~shall~~ be used at the polls for the purpose of identifying
707 the elector at the polls before allowing him or her to vote. The
708 clerk or inspector shall require each elector, upon entering the
709 polling place, to present one of the following current and valid
710 picture identifications:

- 711 1. Florida driver license.
712 2. Florida identification card issued by the Department of

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713 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

714 3. United States passport or passport card.

715 ~~4. Debit or credit card.~~

716 ~~4.5. United States uniformed services or Merchant Marine~~
717 ~~Military~~ identification.

718 ~~6. Student identification.~~

719 ~~7. Retirement center identification.~~

720 ~~8. Neighborhood association identification.~~

721 ~~9. Public assistance identification.~~

722 ~~5.10.~~ Veteran health identification card issued by the
723 United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

724 ~~6.11.~~ A license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm
725 issued pursuant to s. 790.06.

726 ~~7.12.~~ Any other Employee identification card issued by any
727 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,
728 the state, a county, or a municipality, excluding identification
729 cards issued by an educational institution.

730 (b) If the picture identification does not contain the
731 signature of the elector, an additional identification that
732 provides the elector's signature is ~~shall be~~ required. The
733 address appearing on the identification presented by the elector
734 may not be used as the basis to challenge an elector's legal
735 residence. The elector must ~~shall~~ sign his or her name in the
736 space provided on the precinct register or on an electronic
737 device provided for recording the elector's signature. The clerk

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738 or inspector shall compare the signature with that on the
739 identification provided by the elector and enter his or her
740 initials in the space provided on the precinct register or on an
741 electronic device provided for that purpose and allow the
742 elector to vote if the clerk or inspector is satisfied as to the
743 identity of the elector.

744 **Section 14. Subsection (1) and paragraph (d) of subsection**
745 **(6) of section 101.048, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

746 101.048 Provisional ballots.—

747 (1) At all elections, a voter claiming to be properly
748 registered in the state and eligible to vote at the precinct in
749 the election but whose eligibility cannot be determined, a
750 person whom an election official asserts is not eligible,
751 including, but not limited to, a person to whom notice has been
752 sent pursuant to s. 98.075(8) ~~s. 98.075(7)~~, but for whom a final
753 determination of eligibility has not been made, and other
754 persons specified in the code shall be entitled to vote a
755 provisional ballot. Once voted, the provisional ballot must be
756 placed in a secrecy envelope and thereafter sealed in a
757 provisional ballot envelope. The provisional ballot must be
758 deposited in a ballot box. All provisional ballots must remain
759 sealed in their envelopes for return to the supervisor of
760 elections. The department shall prescribe the form of the
761 provisional ballot envelope. A person casting a provisional
762 ballot has the right to present written evidence supporting his

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763 or her eligibility to vote to the supervisor of elections by not
764 later than 5 p.m. on the second day following the election.

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766 (d) Instructions must accompany the cure affidavit in
767 substantially the following form:

768 READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE
769 AFFIDAVIT. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY CAUSE YOUR
770 BALLOT NOT TO COUNT.

771 1. In order to cure the missing signature or the signature
772 discrepancy on your Provisional Ballot Voter's Certificate and
773 Affirmation, your affidavit should be completed and returned as
774 soon as possible so that it can reach the supervisor of
775 elections of the county in which your precinct is located no
776 later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day after the election.

777 2. You must sign your name on the line above (Voter's
778 Signature).

779 3. You must make a copy of one of the following forms of
780 identification:

781 a. Tier 1 identification.—Current and valid identification
782 that includes your name and photograph: Florida driver license;
783 Florida identification card issued by the Department of Highway
784 Safety and Motor Vehicles; United States passport or passport
785 card; United States uniformed services or Merchant Marine; ~~debit~~
786 ~~or credit card; military identification; student identification;~~
787 ~~retirement center identification; neighborhood association~~

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788 ~~identification; public assistance~~ identification; veteran health
789 identification card issued by the United States Department of
790 Veterans Affairs; Florida license to carry a concealed weapon or
791 firearm; or any other ~~employee~~ identification card issued by any
792 branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government,
793 the state, a county, or a municipality; or

794 b. Tier 2 identification.—ONLY IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A TIER 1
795 FORM OF IDENTIFICATION, identification that shows your name and
796 current residence address: current utility bill; bank statement;
797 government check; paycheck; or government document (excluding
798 voter information card).

799 4. Place the envelope bearing the affidavit into a mailing
800 envelope addressed to the supervisor. Insert a copy of your
801 identification in the mailing envelope. Mail (if time permits),
802 deliver, or have delivered the completed affidavit along with
803 the copy of your identification to your county supervisor of
804 elections. Be sure there is sufficient postage if mailed and
805 that the supervisor's address is correct. Remember, your
806 information MUST reach your county supervisor of elections no
807 later than 5 p.m. on the 2nd day following the election or your
808 ballot will not count.

809 5. Alternatively, you may fax or e-mail your completed
810 affidavit and a copy of your identification to the supervisor of
811 elections. If e-mailing, please provide these documents as
812 attachments.

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813 6. Submitting a provisional ballot affidavit does not
814 establish your eligibility to vote in this election or guarantee
815 that your ballot will be counted. The county canvassing board
816 determines your eligibility to vote through information provided
817 on the Provisional Ballot Voter's Certificate and Affirmation,
818 written evidence provided by you, including information in your
819 cure affidavit along with any supporting identification, and any
820 other evidence presented by the supervisor of elections or a
821 challenger. You may still be required to present additional
822 written evidence to support your eligibility to vote.

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Remove lines 3-104 and insert:

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97.022, F.S.; revising the information the Department

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of State is required to include in a specified report;

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amending s. 97.051, F.S.; requiring persons to swear

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or affirm they have reviewed the voter registration

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instructions, are a United States citizen, and

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understand the penalties for providing false

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information; amending s. 97.052, F.S.; requiring the

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voter registration application to elicit documentation

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required by the United States Election Assistance

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Commission or federal law; amending s. 97.0525, F.S.;

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requiring that an applicant's citizenship status be

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838 verified by the records of the Department of Highway
839 Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing that an applicant
840 will be registered as an unverified voter, but may not
841 vote, if his or her legal status as a United States
842 citizen cannot be verified through the Department of
843 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; requiring the
844 online voter registration system to transmit certain
845 information to the supervisor of elections and
846 generate certain notices; requiring the supervisor of
847 elections to verify the legal status of certain
848 applicants and provide certain notice; providing that,
849 under specified circumstances, the online voter
850 registration system may populate the applicant's
851 information into a printable voter registration
852 application; amending s. 97.053, F.S.; requiring an
853 applicant's legal status to be verified for a voter
854 registration application to be valid; providing that
855 an applicant will be deemed an unverified voter if his
856 or her application fails to meet specified
857 requirements; requiring an applicant to provide
858 certain evidence to the supervisor of elections to
859 prove the applicant's legal status under specified
860 circumstances; providing for retroactivity; providing
861 certain applicants a provisional ballot and such
862 ballot may only be counted if the applicant can verify

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863 his or her legal status within a specified timeframe;
864 amending s. 97.057, F.S.; requiring the Department of
865 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide the
866 Department of State documentary proof of an
867 applicant's citizenship; amending s. 98.015, F.S.;

868 authorizing the office of the supervisor of elections
869 to close to observe certain holidays under a specified
870 condition; amending s. 98.045, F.S.; requiring
871 supervisors to make certain determinations relating to
872 applicants who were previously registered to vote, but
873 later removed for ineligibility, and to follow
874 specified procedures to notify the applicant, if
875 applicable; amending s. 98.075, F.S.; requiring the
876 Department of State to verify the United States
877 citizenship status of any registered voter after a
878 specified date; requiring specified notices regarding
879 an applicant's potential ineligibility to vote;
880 requiring certain applicants to submit specified
881 information to the supervisor of elections; requiring
882 certain documentation be recorded in the statewide
883 voter registration system; amending s. 98.093, F.S.;

884 requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
885 Vehicles to provide the Department of State with
886 information identifying United States citizens who
887 have been issued a new, renewed, or replacement

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888 Florida driver license or Florida identification card;
889 requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
890 Vehicles to provide the Department of State with
891 changes in residence address and Florida driver
892 license or identification card numbers of individuals
893 who have declined to register or update their voter
894 registration; creating s. 98.094, F.S.; requiring the
895 Division of Elections to provide a list of registered
896 voters to federal courts for a specified purpose;
897 requiring the jury coordinator to prepare a specified
898 list with certain information and send such list to
899 the division; specifying the manner in which such list
900 may be sent; requiring the division to provide such
901 information to the appropriate supervisor of
902 elections; amending s. 99.021, F.S.; specifying that a
903 person seeking to qualify for office as a candidate
904 must be a registered member of a political party, or
905 registered without any party affiliation, for 365
906 consecutive days preceding the beginning of the
907 qualifying before an election; authorizing qualified
908 candidates or certain political parties to challenge
909 compliance with specified provisions by filing an
910 action for declaratory and injunctive relief in a
911 specified circuit court; prohibiting a person from
912 being qualified as a candidate for nomination or

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913 election and appearing on the ballot under specified
914 circumstances; providing that compliance with
915 specified requirements is mandatory; entitling certain
916 candidates and political parties to specified
917 expedited hearings and consideration; requiring the
918 supervisor of elections to remove certain candidates
919 from the ballot or provide certain notice that votes
920 for certain disqualified candidates will not be
921 counted; amending s. 101.043, F.S.; revising the forms
922 of identification required to be provided at polls;
923 amending s. 101.048, F.S.; conforming provisions to
924 changes made by the act; amending s. 101.591, F.S.;
925 removing
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